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Letter dated 7 September 2000 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In accordance with Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to transmit herewith:

- Resolution No. 6012 dated 4 September 2000, entitled "Foreign Conspiratorial schemes against the Sudan"
- Resolution No. 6013 dated 4 September 2000, entitled "Lifting of the Sanctions imposed on the Sudan by the Security Council" adopted by the one hundred fourteenth regular session of the League of Arab States, at the level of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, held on 3-4 September 2000, at the League of Arab States headquarters in Cairo-Egypt.

I should be grateful if you would draw the attention of the members of the Security Council to this letter and its annexes, and have them circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Dr. Hussein **Hassouna**
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Annex I to the letter dated 7 September 2000 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

[Original: Arabic]

Resolution 114/6012 of 4 September 2000, adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States at its one hundred and fourteenth regular session, held in Cairo on 3 and 4 September 2000

Foreign conspiratorial schemes against the Sudan

The Council of the League of Arab States,

Having considered:

The note by the Secretary-General,

The letter dated 15 July 2000 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Sudan to the League of Arab States,

And the recommendation of the Political Committee,

Recalling resolution 189 adopted by the Arab Summit Conference at its extraordinary session held in Baghdad from 28 to 30 May 1990,

Further recalling Council resolutions 5374 of 27 March 1994, 5746 of 25 March 1998, 5781 of 24 August 1998, 5794 of 17 September 1998, 5849 of 18 March 1999, 5896 of 13 September 1999, and 5961 of 28 March 2000,

Having heard the statement of the Sudanese delegation on the scope of the foreign intervention in the internal affairs of the Sudan and on developments in connection with the foreign scheme to undermine the stability of the country and jeopardize its security and territorial integrity,

Appreciating the endeavours made with the Security Council by the Arab Group, the Group of African States, the Islamic Group and the Group of Non-Aligned Countries at the United Nations concerning the sanctions being maintained against the Sudan since 1996,

Concerned that some States are seeking to impede the efforts being made to have the sanctions lifted,

Expressing its renewed support for the efforts of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in the context of their joint initiative for the achievement of a comprehensive peace and national reconciliation in all parts of the Sudan,

Expressing its concern at the reckless allegations and charges of the United States to the effect that the Sudan has been producing Scud missiles, such as the United States has made in seeking to justify its unwarranted attack on the Shifa pharmaceutical plant in Khartoum,

Noting with concern the endeavours of some States to have the question of the Sudan brought before the Security Council, thus encroaching on the regional efforts

being made to achieve a comprehensive peace and national reconciliation to the Sudan,

Appreciating the efforts of the Secretary-General [of the League] and of the Arab Group at the United Nations, which have prevented the question of the Sudan from being brought before the Security Council,

Expressing its approval of the decision of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the candidacy of the Sudan as a non-permanent member of the Security Council in 2001 and 2002,

Decides:

1. To reaffirm its support for the Sudan in confronting all threats to its sovereignty, stability and territorial integrity and in rejecting any attempts at partition and for the Sudan's endeavours with the relevant regional and international organizations to avert the dangers of conspiracy;

2. To reject foreign intervention in the affairs of a country that is a member of the League of Arab States as a danger to security and stability in the region; to condemn any decisions or measures actually or potentially supporting separatism in the Sudan, particularly by the provision of material, military or logistic support or the imposition of aerial exclusion zones; and to affirm the importance of respect for the country's sovereignty and territorial integrity;

3. To support the request made to the Security Council by the Group of Non-Aligned Countries at the United Nations that the sanctions imposed on the Sudan should be lifted by 15 November 2000 at the latest, especially since the Sudan has discharged all of its obligations under the Security Council resolutions by which these sanctions were imposed;

4. To welcome the efforts made by the Government of the Sudan for a comprehensive ceasefire while commending its repeated calls for such a ceasefire and its observance of the partial ceasefire on which agreement has been reached;

5. To urge the international community to condemn the rebel movement for its constant violations of the ceasefire and bring pressure to bear on it to observe a halt in military operations in order to ensure that humanitarian aid can reach war victims in the southern Sudan;

6. To commend the cooperation of the Government of the Sudan with the United Nations in connection with Operation Lifeline Sudan and the delivery of relief to those in need; and to affirm the Government's right to ensure that the work of the humanitarian organizations is not associated with the provision of any logistic or military facilities to the rebel movement;

7. To express its appreciation of the efforts of the Government of the Sudan to develop and enhance relations of cooperation with its fellow Arab and African States and with neighbouring countries and of the positive results those efforts have had;

8. To commend the fraternal response to the Sudan from member States in connection with relief for those in need and invite them to continue such efforts; and to urge humanitarian organizations in the Arab and Islamic States and in all

countries of the world to augment their humanitarian and development activities in the southern Sudan and in other parts of the country in need of aid;

9. To welcome the call of the European Union to the rebel separatist groups in the southern Sudan to respect fully the norms and principles of international humanitarian law and to refrain from using civilian locations for military purposes;

10. To endorse the decision adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity in July 2000 on the Sudan's candidacy as a non-permanent member of the Security Council in 2001 and 2002 and to coordinate efforts to seek the support of all geographical groupings for this candidacy;

11. To express its appreciation for the efforts made by the Government of the Sudan to achieve a comprehensive peace and national reconciliation in all parts of the Sudan; to reaffirm its support and backing for the joint Egyptian-Libyan initiative to achieve a comprehensive peace and national reconciliation in the Sudan; and to endorse the endeavours being made to coordinate the two initiatives;

12. To express its renewed appreciation for the progress made in the Sudan-Europe dialogue; and to urge the members of the Union to support the efforts of the Sudan to achieve stability, development and peace in the south;

13. To request the Secretary-General to hold consultations and to coordinate action with the relevant international and regional agencies and organizations for the implementation of the Council's resolutions in support of the Sudan, to support the Sudan in all regional and international forums and to present the outcome of his efforts to the Council at its next session.

Annex II to the letter dated 7 September 2000 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

[Original: Arabic]

Resolution 114/6013 of 4 September 2000, adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States at its one hundred and fourteenth regular session, held in Cairo on 3 and 4 September 2000

Lifting of the sanctions imposed on the Sudan by the United Nations Security Council

The Council of the League of Arab States,

Having considered:

The note by the Secretary-General,

The letter dated 27 August 2000 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Sudan,

And the recommendation of the Political Committee,

Noting that the Government of the Sudan has completed the necessary procedures for accession to all the international conventions and protocols for the suppression of terrorism and has joined in regional agreements and programmes seeking to combat and eliminate terrorism within the framework of the League of Arab States, the Organization of African Unity and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, that it participates actively in the efforts of the international community to combat terrorism and that it is enacting legislation and taking innovative measures to combat terrorist crimes and punish those who commit them;

Viewing with appreciation the success of the Government of the Sudan in normalizing relations with its neighbours as well as at the inter-Arab and pan-African levels and its entry into fruitful relations of cooperation with them and into constructive dialogue with the States members of the European Union,

Noting the wide support for the request of the Government of the Sudan that the sanctions be lifted, as expressed in the positions taken by the governments of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and by the Organization of African Unity, the Arab, African and Islamic groups at the United Nations, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and 14 of the members of the Security Council,

Decides:

1. To endorse the request of the Government of the Sudan that the sanctions imposed under the relevant Security Council resolutions should be lifted;

2. To provide all necessary support and assistance until such time as the sanctions imposed on the Sudan are in fact lifted;

3. To request the Secretary-General to hold the necessary consultations, to coordinate action with the relevant bodies and groupings in following up the implementation of this resolution and to submit a report on the matter to the Council at its next session.